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And FYI - Karen Schwinn says there is a rumor that this Sunday's 60 Minutes will include a Bay Delta story.

Feds commit to more active role in Delta protection

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Federal officials on Tuesday released a plan of action to help California deal with water supply and environmental problems in the Delta.

The Department of Interior plan fulfills a promise by the Obama administration in September to resume a more active role in California's water woes. It results from a memorandum of understanding signed between a number of federal agencies that deal with water, wildlife and farming activities.

The 23-page plan commits the federal government to a more active role in the Bay-Delta Conservation Plan, an effort by the state to improve habitat and waterworks in the Delta. It includes a controversial water canal or tunnel to divert a portion of the Sacramento River's flow out of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

Federal officials described the plan released Tuesday as an evolving document that will change as conditions warrant in the year ahead.

"The Obama administration is committed to robust re-engagement in restoring the Bay-Delta ecosystem and addressing California's water needs," Nancy Sutley, chair of the White House Council on Environmental Quality, said in a statement.

Other commitments in the plan include building an intertie between state and federal canals that drain the Delta, and further study of the so-called Two Gates Project, which would involve building new water control gates in the Central Delta.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency will also study water quality in the Delta, possibly including new limits on pesticides, and will work with the state to consider new water quality standards for the estuary. Another possibility is an inspection program for recreational boats in the Delta to control invasive species, akin to programs already in place at Lake Tahoe, Clear Lake and other water bodies.

Additional federal assistance for California farms is also planned, including programs to improve water conservation and to investigate carbon storage projects on Delta islands.

The plan can be found online at <http://www.doi.gov>

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